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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM: BORIS PETKOVSKI

1. UNDERSTAND THAT PETKOVSKI AVAILABLE VISIT US IN JUNE-JULY, 1976. HOWEVER, HAS VERY SPECIFIC PROGRAM IN MIND. WOULD LIKE SPEND MAJOR PORTION HIS 30-DAY STAY IN US AT ONE "EXCELLENT" MUSEUM, SUCH AS MUSEUM OF MODER ART, NEW YORK, TO WORK WITH STAFF AND LEARN HOW SUCH A MUSEUM IS ORGANIZED AND OPERATES. IS ALSO INTERESTED IN DOCUMENTATION METHODS, CONSERVATION PROCEDURES AND ART CRITICISM. PROBLEM IS COMPLICATED BY FACT THAT PETKOVSKI SPEAKS SOME ENGLISH BUT PROBABLY NOT ENOUGH TO CARRY ON PROFESSIONAL DISCUSSIONS. IS FLUENT IN FRENCH, HOWEVER.

2. PETKOVSKI'S BIODATA AS FOLLOWS: BORN NOVEMBER 19, 1931 AT BAJMOK KOD SUBOTICE. PRESENT POSITION: DIRECTOR, MUSEUM OF MODER ART, SKOPJE.

3. REASON FOR NOMINATION: AS DIRECTOR OF ONE OF MAJOR MUSEUMS OF YUGOSLAVIA, PETKOVSKI WOULD BENEFIT GREATLY FROM OPPORTUNITY TO CONFER WITH AMERICAN MUSEUM PROFESSIONALS. HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO POST IN PAST IN ARRANGING SHOWINGS TO USIS SPONSORED EXHIBITS. POST EXPECTS THAT VISIT WOULD LEAD TO GREATER REPRESENTATION OF US WORKS IN SKOPJE COLLECTION (CURRENTLY DOMINATED BY FRENCH CONTRIBUTIONS) OR EXCHANGES WITH US MUSEUMS.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF POSSIBLE ARRANGE VISIT ACCORDING TO GRANTEE'S REQUEST IN TIME FRAME AVAILABLE.

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